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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **OHKI, Yuta**

Group Art Unit: **3743**

Serial No.: **09/869,325**

Examiner: **Ford, John K**

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For. **SAMPLE TEMPERATURE REGULATOR**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

September 13, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **May 13, 2002**, extended to **September 13, 2002** by a **One-month** Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please **AMEND** the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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The sample temperature regulators according to these aspects each have a simple structure and are resistant to impacts and vibrations, durable and inexpensive, since the heating block and the cooling block are combined with each other. Even if the heating block and the cooling block are combined with each other, the connecting plate made of a material having a thermal conductivity lower than that of the heating block and that of the cooling block or the cooling block made of a material having a thermal conductivity lower than that of the heating block limits the rate of heat